

# ONE SPORT SHOWED GAIN

## TRAPSHOOTING GREW MUCH DURING INDUSTRIAL LULL

More Than 1,000 Trophies Awarded to 8,140 Shooters, Who Broke Five Million Targets in Year.

Baseball, and a number of other high-class out-of-door pastimes, suffered greatly from the industrial lull, the war and numerous other complaints during the past two years, yet in that same period of time trapshooting has taken its greatest boom.

The marvelous growth of "the sport" is better portrayed in the annual report of Secretary Shaner to the Interstate Association of Trapshooters than anything that has heretofore been published. Evidently the growth of the pastime has worried Mr. Shaner somewhat, for he advocates the return to five traps in the Grand American Handicap—the classic event of the year in the trapshooting line.

Shaner thinks that the continued growth of the sport will make the Grand American such a colossal affair that it cannot be handled with the smoothness and dispatch that the earlier championships were handled, but in this he is mistaken. It takes more time to complete a tournament with 1,000 entries than it does with 500, but if the shooter wish to participate who should say them nay?

A return to any system that would mean the refusal of entries would be detrimental to the sport. The number of entries has advanced by degrees for fifteen years in the Grand American, and last year in Chicago the entries were more than 300 over the previous year—the total number of entrants being 839. The idea prevails in St. Louis, where the next American championship will be conducted, that there should be 1,000 entrants. The idea of the trapshooting leagues of the United States is to develop trapshooting, not to check it—and its development would be the best thing that could be done for the Grand American.

### MORE QUANTITY THAN QUALITY IN BIG MATCH

It is agreed that every contestant is not a champion, and many of them never will be—but just the same one should be denied the privilege of saying his accuracy against any one else who thinks he has the advantage. There may have been more quantity than quality in the Grand American last year, but who knows but that some of those who were numbered among the quantity last year may be very highly ranked in the quality this year? The fact that no one has ever won the amateur championship twice speaks for its quality.

But this is drifting away somewhat from the real purpose of this article. Figures compiled by Mr. Shaner show that 333 tournaments were conducted under the auspices of the Interstate Association during the year of 1915, in which 2,149,250 targets were broken, and in which 4,814,260 trophies were won. These figures are really for 332 tournaments, as no report was received from one of the competitions. There were 12,000 entrants in this broad field, who thought that nearly 5,000,000 targets were broken last year in target shooting matches. But this isn't the actual number by a long way. These only tell the figures of the tournaments sanctioned by the Interstate Association. There were hundreds of other gun club matches, and it is safe to say that 10,000,000 targets were broken this year.

In the matches under Interstate supervision the average number of entrants in the competition were forty-seven, and the professionals seven. In these tournaments, 1,016 trophies were awarded, and every one of these trophies is a permanent testimonial for the association and its modern methods of developing a sport that is growing faster than its foster parents thought it would. Eighty-three contestants won trophies, eighty-three contestants won two trophies, thirty-two shooters won three trophies, eleven won four trophies, six won five trophies, five won six trophies and four won seven trophies.

### PENNSYLVANIA LED IN NUMBER OF TOURNAMENTS

Pennsylvania led in the number of tournaments with 78. Illinois was next with 32, and then came Iowa with 29. New York, big as it is, had only 15 tournaments of importance. Ohio had 15; Missouri and Indiana 14 each; Kansas 12; Canada, 11; and Nebraska, 10. None of the other States touched double figures. Alabama had 1; Arizona, 2; Arkansas, 5; California, 3; Connecticut, 6; Colorado, 4; Delaware, 2; District of Columbia, 1; Georgia, 2; Idaho, 1; Kentucky, 1; Louisiana, 2; Maine, 1; Maryland, 6; Massachusetts, 2; Michigan, 5; Minnesota, 3; Mississippi, 2; Montana, 2; New Hampshire, 3; New Jersey, 5; New Mexico, 1; North Carolina, 1; North Dakota, 2; Oklahoma and Oregon, 5 each; South Carolina, 1; South Dakota, 4; Tennessee, 5; Utah, 4; Vermont, 2; Virginia, 8; Washington, 4; West Virginia, 5; Wisconsin, 8; and Wyoming, 3. Florida, Nevada and Rhode Island have no State shooting associations, and therefore are not enumerated.

The Interstate Association contributed \$22,500 to the tournaments in the above States, besides the trophies. It is mainly through the work of the Interstate Association that trapshooting has gone forward. In 1908 the trapshooting tournaments averaged twenty-seven amateurs and four professionals. This past year they averaged forty-seven and seven. In 1913 4,526,376 targets were broken; in 1914 4,780,690 were broken, and in 1915 the figures mounted to 4,814,260—showing a good, steady breakage. The growth of trapshooting means more entries in all State tournaments and championships, and the more people interested in State tournaments the more will become interested in the national tournament. More shooters will bring more spectators, and this means more interest. Chicago had 829 entrants and 25,000 spectators. St. Louis wants 1,000 entrants and 50,000 spectators—and St. Louis is hustling right now.

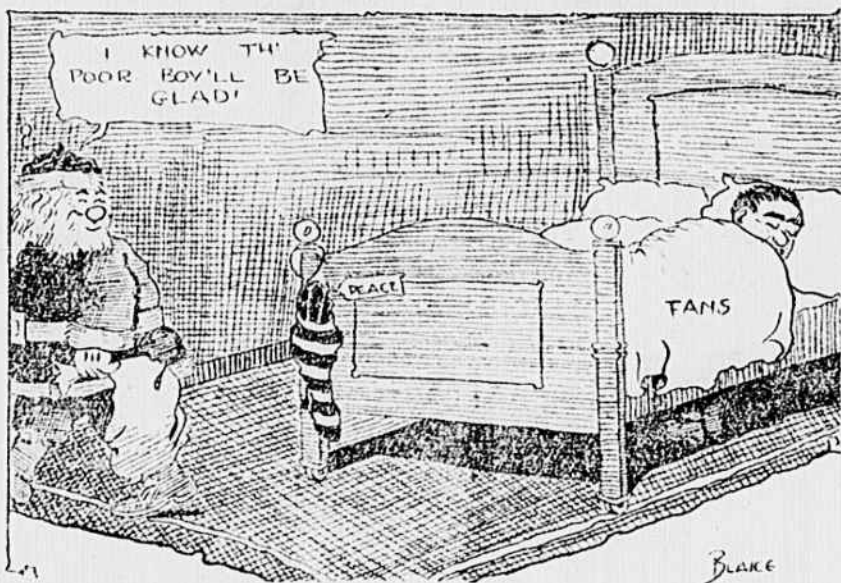
Johnny Ertle, Ben O'Donnell, PHILADELPHIA, December 25.—Johnny Ertle, of St. Paul, won over Joe O'Donnell, of Gloucester, in six rounds at the Olympia this afternoon. The first three rounds were even, but from that time on Ertle got the most use out of his body punches. The bout was arranged at catch weights, both boys being under the 116-pound mark.

Eddie Camp in Winner. NEW YORK, December 25.—Eddie Camp defeated Tommy Touhey in a fast ten-round bout at the Fairmount Athletic Club this afternoon. In the twelfth round, Camp landed a right jab that sent Touhey reeling. Charley Marshall in ten interesting rounds.

Eddie Moul, Freddy Welsh's sparring partner, went ten rattling spars with Willie Shaffer to a draw.

W. Withrow was arrested by Police Clive and Dugan yesterday on a charge of assaulting and cutting R. E. Carden.

## Old Santa Didn't Forget the Fans



### PECK SHOWED HIS NERVE

#### PITTSBURGH UNIVERSITY PLAYER HAD BROKEN LEG

With Shinbone Fractured, He Remained on Field—Injury Discovered Two Years Later.

NEW YORK, December 25.—What a vast difference there is in the game, the fighting spirit and the capacity for suffering between the professional baseball player and the college football player.

Whenever a baseball player contracts a slight headache or a bruised nose or a skinned shin, he rushes off to the doctor's office, summons a flock of medical gents and nurses and then spends about four weeks laying up until the ache or abrasion has disappeared. Whenever the football player is injured—well, read the case of Bob Peck, the brilliant all-American center of the University of Pittsburgh.

During the Pittsburgh-Washington and Jefferson games in 1913, Peck, who then was playing in the half-back position, was injured. He was in terrible pain for many hours after the accident, but he refused to let the doctors examine the leg, fearing that the injury really was serious, and that the doctor would order him to the hospital.

Peck insisted upon playing in the game the following Saturday, and played every Saturday until the end of the season, but he was handicapped in his speed by a decided limp in his right leg. When the Pittsburgh gridiron warriors assembled for training in 1914, Coach Joe Duff decided that Peck should do as much as he could, but he continued to pain him, and he had to humor it. He tried to walk without a limp, so that the coaches would give him a job on the eleven, but Duff noticed the limp.

Peck is a very fearless player, and one whose aggressiveness helped greatly in keeping up the spirits of his fellows. Duff didn't want to lose him, so he tried him out at center, where speed is not so essential as it is in the back field. Peck made good immediately at that position, and despite the handicap of an ailing leg

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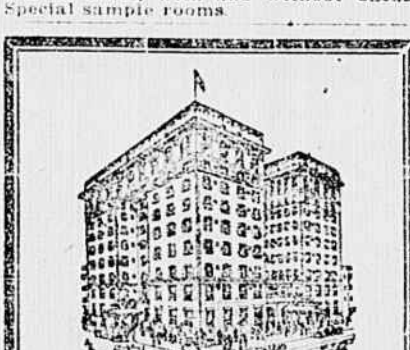
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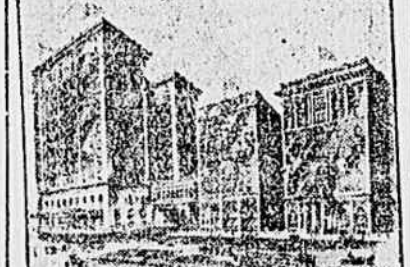


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### "Maybe there really is something wrong with it and then I can't play any more."

In the Carnegie game this year Peck got a scrimmage and when the players untangled themselves, Peck lay at the bottom of the heap semi-conscious and with his leg doubled up under him.

He was carried off the field and, despite Peck's protests, a doctor was called to examine the leg. The medical gent monkeyed with the leg, his face took on a puzzled expression, and then with some comment about "extraordinary case" he called in another physician. And this was what they found:

Peck had broken his leg in that 1913 game between the shinbone and the ankle and native in time welded together the broken parts. The bone, however, had knitted it in a ragged way, and for two years the points of the broken parts had been jabbing themselves into the flesh of Peck's leg, causing excruciating agony at times.

Peck's leg was not really broken in the 1913 Carnegie game, declared the doctors. "The mishap in that game merely dislocated the knut that followed the fracture of two years ago."

The doctors ordered Peck to the hospital so they could place his leg in a cast and knit the bone properly. Peck told the doctors to go to Chicago or Switzerland or some other foreign country, wrapped around his leg about a hundred yards of bandage, got into the game the next Saturday, played out the season and won for himself a captaincy of the 1916 Pittsburgh eleven and the honor of all-American center.

And now, if the doctors will assure him positively that they will liberate him within a week, Peck may agree to go to the hospital and have mended the leg that he broke more than two years ago.

### Charge Ordinance Violation.

C. C. Matthews was arrested by Police Carr yesterday on a charge of being drunk and disorderly and refusing to move when ordered to do so.

## CHRISTMAS SPIRIT IS IN EVIDENCE IN PRISON

### Inmates of State Penitentiary Have Football Game Between Nationals and Internationals.

The spirit of Christmas penetrated prison walls yesterday, and there was good cheer for the unfortunates confined in both the State Penitentiary and the City Jail.

Major James J. Wood, superintendent of the "Big Top," and all the officers of his staff joined in an effort to brighten the lives of the convicts. The prisoners were given every possible liberty and permitted to amuse themselves with sports and games on the ball field. The principal athletic event was a football contest in which two picked teams, the Nationals and the Internationals, competed for the prison championship. The Nationals scored an easy victory over their opponents, running the score so high that nobody could give an intelligent report of it after the game.

A special Christmas dinner was served in the big dining-hall, and the convicts were entertained with music by the prison brass band while they ate. E. C. Smith, a long-term convict, directing the corps of instrumentalists. The menu included roast pork, vegetables, cakes, candies and ice cream. During the day more than fifty boxes and packages were received by parcel post. These came from relatives and friends of the prisoners and contained all sorts of luxuries, such as roasted turkeys, plum pudding, cakes, candies, jellies and other sweets. The recipients in almost every case shared the delicacies generously with their less fortunate fellow-prisoners, who had not been remembered from the outside.

City Sergeant John L. Satterfield and his deputies gave the prisoners in the City Jail the jolliest Christmas within the memory of the oldest jailbird. The inmates were given a special dinner,

including several kinds of meats, with vegetables, candy, nuts and ice cream. Police Justice Critchfield made sixty-eight of the prisoners a Christmas present of liberty, the men being turned out at 7 o'clock in the morning.

Levisky Scores Annual Victory. NEW YORK, December 25.—Battling Levisky scored his annual victory over Jim Flynn, the Pueblo fireman,

at the Broadway Sporting Club this afternoon. Levisky outboxed Flynn in every one of the ten rounds. At no time did Flynn show anything but his vaunted aggressiveness.

Levisky simply toyed with his more rugged adversary. Flynn outweighted the batter by thirteen pounds, but this weight advantage did not help Flynn, except in the clinches, which were few. Flynn weighed 192 pounds.

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Men's Negligee Shirts;  
\$1.50 value; this 69c  
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Scriven's Drawers,  
\$1.00 and \$1.25 val- 59c  
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sizes  
\$2.00 Trousers, 95c  
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\$3.50 Raincoats, \$1.45  
for  
\$7.50 Top Coats \$3.45  
for  
\$4.00 Suits for 1.29  
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\$4.00 Oliver 1.65  
Twist Suits  
\$5.00 Macki- 2.95  
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For Boys  
\$3.00 Wash Suits 71c  
for  
75c Sweaters for 29c  
for  
\$1.50 Wash Suits 49c  
for  
50c Rompers for 19c  
only  
Oliver Twist 1.65  
Suits

For Boys  
\$1.00 Girls' Tam-o'- 5c  
Shanters  
\$1.00 Winter Caps 29c  
for  
Fleece Underwear 19c  
for  
50c Neckties for 17c  
only  
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only

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Suits & Overcoats  
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